GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

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BHOPAL GAS TRAGEDY
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether survivors of Bhopal Gas Tragedy has demonstrated and demanding an enquiry into the alleged serious irregularities in Bhopal Memorial Hospital Trust and Ministry`s role in running the Trust ;

(b) if so, whether they have also drawn attention of the Government to non-implementation of the Supreme Court order of May,2004 regarding supply of clean water to the communities affected by ground water contamination;

(c) if so, the details thereof ; and

(d) the action taken/proposed to be taken in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS & MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) to (d) : A group of Bhopal Gas victims had demonstrated in New Delhi on 8th July,2005 and later submitted a representation to the Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals alleging certain irregularities in the functioning of the Bhopal Memorial Hospital Trust and had also drawn attention to the inadequate supply of clean drinking water by the Government of Madhya Pradesh to the communities affected by ground water contamination. The Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers is not represented amongst the Trustees of the Bhopal Memorial Hospital Trust. However, the Ministry has requested the Government of Madhya Pradesh to look into these matters and take appropriate action.